# History and Background

## How and why we're here

Payara started in the summer of 2014 as a GlassFish support project founded by Steve Millidge and his team from C2B2 Consulting Ltd. Soon after beginning the project, it became obvious that supporting GlassFish could not be done without improving it, so we decided to create our own version (derived from GlassFish Open Source Edition) called Payara Server. We officially announced our Payara project at JavaOne 2014 in San Francisco.

Since then, Payara Server has been gaining more and more users, increasing community involvement and - most importantly - growing the support customer base, which now includes some well-known brands such as BMW Group, Papa John's and UC Davis.

We have also been working on developing partnerships with other industry vendors such as NetBeans, Hazelcast, Docker and Jelastic to increase Payara Server's adoption and improve Payara Server's compatibility with other technologies. Payara Services is one of the founders of the MicroProfile initiative – an open forum to optimise Enterprise Java for microservices, perfect for cloud environments.

Our experienced developers and engineers ensure that Payara Server is released quarterly with bug fixes, patches and enhancements and that our customers get the best quality of support services for their Payara environments. Our vision to optimise Payara Server to make it the best application server for production Java EE applications, with responsive 24/7 dedicated incident and software support delivered by the best middleware engineers in the industry.

# Our Location

Our head office is located within the Malvern Hills Science Park in Worcestershire, allowing us to be part of a wider community of science and technology businesses.

## About Malvern

Malvern is a historic spa town in an area of outstanding natural beauty. Famous for its natural springs and walking hills (that were frequented by the likes of J.R.R. Tolkien and C.S. Lewis), it is also home to Elgar's birthplace and the world-famous Morgan Motor Company.

Not only are there plenty of shops and facilities in Malvern, it is also less than 10 miles from the city of Worcester.

## Working in Malvern

This beautiful location also boasts great road and rail links that connect Malvern to the rest of the country, making travel easier for both our remote and office-based staff.

Our nearest station, Great Malvern, is 15 minutes' walk from the Science Park.

# Our Services

What we do

## Payara Server Production Support

On top of regular quarterly releases, GitHub Issues support and unlimited deployment options, we also provide ongoing support options for our customers. Take a look below at some support features that you'd be helping us with as an Apprentice.

**10x5**

Best for customers running
**non-mission critical environments**
only requiring business hours support.

Includes support 10 hours a day, 5 days
a week, Monday to Friday, with 4 hours
Priority 1 issues response time.

**24x7**

Best for customers running
**mission critical environments**
that need rapid response times
to critical incidents.

Includes support 24 hours a day,
7 days a week for Priority 1 issues,
with 1-hour response time.

You can find out more about the Payara Services on our website and in the official Support Services Brochure

# Our current apprentices



## Matt Gill:

"My degree apprenticeship has given me the perfect leg-up into the industry by letting me gain experience from day one. I'm tackling challenging tasks in the day at work and attending evening lectures online."



## Jonathan Coustick:

"Being on the Payara Apprenticeship means that I am part of an industry-leading company, and the degree course means I gain the theoretical backing for what I do every day at work."

# Social Media

Where you can find us

https://twitter.com/Payara_Fish

https://www.linkedin.com/company/payara

http://blog.payara.fish/

https://www.youtube.com/user/payarafish

https://www.facebook.com/PayaraFish

https://plus.google.com/+PayaraFish

https://github.com/payara

# Conferences and Publications

Some areas worldwide where we have an active presence

# Useful Resources

Read, Watch, Learn

## Useful Industry News Sources

DZone - https://dzone.com/

The Server Side - http://www.theserverside.com/

Voxxed - https://www.voxxed.com/

Java Code Geeks - http://www.javacodegeeks.com

Jaxenter - http://jaxenter.com/news/java/

InfoQ - http://www.infoq.com/

TechTarget - http://searchsoa.techtarget.com/

## Payara Resources

Payara Blog - http://blog.payara.fish/

Payara Server Downloads - http://www.payara.fish/downloads

Payara Documentation - https://docs.payara.fish/

Payara Micro - https://www.payara.fish/payara_micro

Payara Server for Beginners - http://info.payara.fish/getting-started-with-payara-server-useful-resources

Payara Server in Production - http://www.payara.fish/payara-server-in-production

Payara Forum - https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/payara-forum

Payara Foundation - http://www.payara.org/home

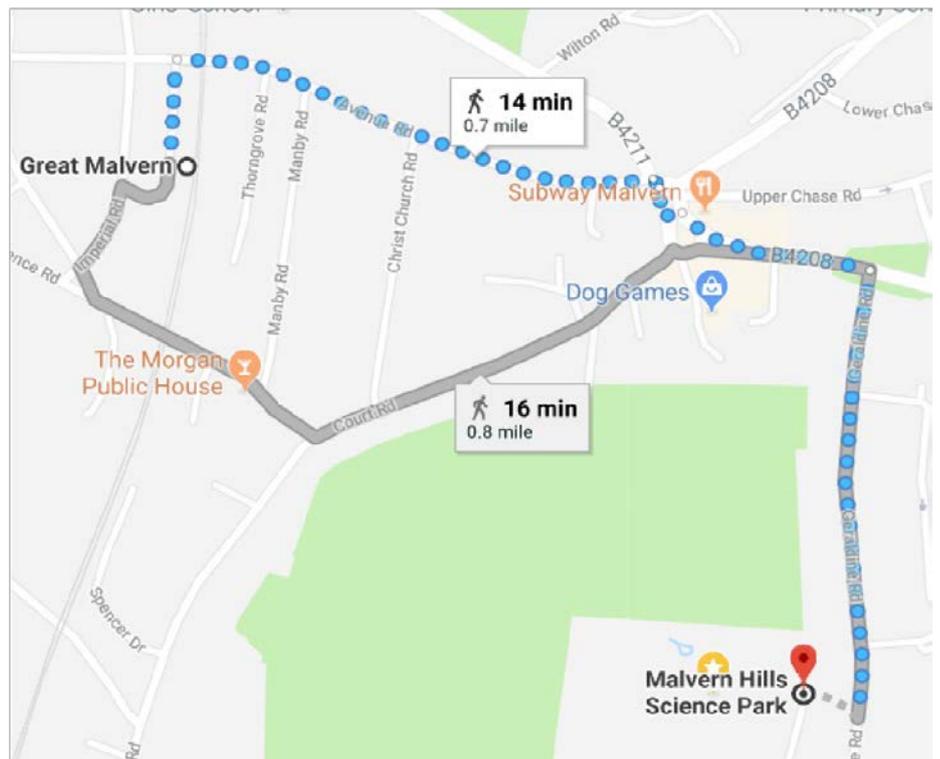Payara Docker Images - https://hub.docker.com/u/payara/

# General Company Information

Addresses and useful numbers

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